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HOME (ELECTIONS) DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 5th July, 2019

No.12257–VE(A)-116/2019/Elec.— The following notification issued by Election Commission of India, New Delhi is hereby published in the extraordinary issue of the Gazette of Government of Odisha for general information.

By order,

SURENDRA KUMAR

Chief Electoral Officer & Ex Officio, Principal Secretary to Government

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

Dated: 5th July,2019 14, Ashadha, 1941(SAKA)

NOTIFICATION

No.492/ECI/NOT/TERR/ES-II/OR-LA/2019: WHEREAS, for the purpose of holding of General Election to the Legislative Assembly of Odisha-2019, the Governor of Odisha had, by Notification issued under Section 15 of the Representation of People Act, 1951 (43 of 1951) and published in an extraordinary issue of the State Gazette dated 2nd April,2019, called upon all the Assembly Constituencies including the 96-Patkura Assembly Constituency in the State of Odisha to elect member to the said Legislative Assembly; and

Whereas, due to death of one contesting candidate, namely, Shri Bed Prakash Agarwalla from 96-Patkura Assembly Constituency set up by Biju Janata Dal, a recognized State Party, the Returning Officer of the said Assembly Constituency

adjourned the Poll in accordance with the provisions of Section 52 (1) (c) of the Representation of People Act, 1951;

Whereas, the Commission vide its notification No. 492/ECI/NOT/TERR/ES-II/OR-LA/2019 dated 24th April, 2019 notified the scheduled of adjourned Poll, which was as follows:

- a) the 1st May, 2019 (Wednesday), as the last date for making nominations;
- b) the 2nd May, 2019 (Thursday), as the date of scrutiny of nominations;
- c) the 4th May, 2019 (Saturday), as the last date for withdrawal for candidatures;
- d) the **19th May, 2019 (Sunday),** as the date on which a poll shall, if necessary, be taken;
- e) the 27th May, 2019 (Monday), as the date before which the election shall be completed;

Whereas, accordingly, the Election Commission under sub-section (2) of Section 52 of the Representation of People Act, called upon the concerned party, whose candidate had died, to nominate another candidate for the said poll, vide its Notice No.492/OR-LA/2019 dated 24th April, 2019; and

Whereas, the process of nomination was completed on 4th May 2019 and the list of contesting candidates was published by the RO 96-Patkura on 4th May, 2019; and

Whereas, the CEO, Odisha vide his letter dated 30th April, 2019 submitted a proposal of Screening Committee headed by Chief Secretary, Govt. of Odisha stating that the "FANI" Cyclone likely to affect the districts of Odisha including Kendrapara and recommended for postponement of the adjourned General Election to 96-Patkura AC; and

Whereas, in view of "FANI" Cyclone which affected the electoral infrastructure and displacement of electors in the district of Kendrapara, the Commission had decided to defer the poll and extended the date of completion of the election from 96-Patkura AC for 60 days vide ECI letter dated 6th May, 2019; and

Whereas, the Commission has directed the CEO, Odisha that a team including the CEO, Odisha shall visit the 96-Patkura Assembly Constituency to assess the status of infrastructure for polling; and

Whereas, CEO Odisha has furnished a detailed report on polling infrastructure in 96-Patkura AC informing that the polling infrastructure etc.; is suitable for conduct of poll, which Commission has considered; and

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-section (2) of Section 52 read with Section 30 and Section 56 of the said Act, the Election Commission, hereby

- (A) **appoints**, with respect to the said election from 96-Patkura Assembly Constituency:
 - a) the 20th July, 2019 (Saturday), as the date on which a poll shall be taken;
 - b) the 26th July, 2019 (Friday) as the date before which the election shall be completed; and
- (B) **fixes the hours**, from **7.00 AM to 6.00 PM**, as the hours during which the poll shall be taken on the date specified in para (A), for the above said election.

By order

(RAKESH KUMAR) SECRETARY